



LOSES 3 POUNDS

Willard Is Getting Rid of His Surplus Flesh.

Big Fight Is Less Than Three Weeks Off Now.

BY JESS WILLARD.

New York, March 6.—Saturday was just the sort of morning I have been longing for since I hit the big city. Instead of tossing off the bed clothes when the old alarm rang at 6:30, I just rolled over and took another snooze. The extra few winks came in handy, for I was out a little the night before appearing at a few show houses to help out a worthy cause.

About half past 7 Walter Monahan, my morning trainer, broke into my bedroom and suggested rather harshly that it would be a very good idea to get up.

"As long as I'm dressed, I don't see why other folks should be taking things too easy," remarked Walter. "Knowing his habit of tossing you out if you don't listen to his reason, I thought it would be a good idea to get up. After splashing around in the tub for some time and then getting a corking rub down from Monahan and Hemple, I dressed and prepared for an attack on the rationals.

Stay in Doors.
The bunch just sat around the table and ate and talked but I must say I did more of the former. I could tell from the happiness displayed by both Monahan and Hemple that they weren't so very much dissatisfied with remaining in doors for one day. It may seem strange that I should renege on road work in the first week but my real reason was to get a slight change so that running would not become so monotonous and tiresome. A man training should not keep his nose too close to the grindstone for it is bound to get burned and make things annoying. Also, I realized perfectly well that I have almost three weeks to get in shape. And that's really more time than necessary.

With writing letters and reading my mail and newspapers the entire morning slipped by quickly and pleasantly. Naturally, none felt like eating heartily at the noon hour, so we just munched on a few tidbits.

Blood Runs Wild.
After our lunch all hands took a nice stroll and came back about 1:30. Then it was a jump into the machine and ride down to the club. We reached the club house shortly after 2 o'clock, which gave me time enough to get in my duds and start work promptly at 2:30. I felt as good as I did the day before starting in work and the boys were just as lively. Working on the pulleys I was just itching to yank them off the wheels. When I finished this exercise my blood was running wild and I was anxious to box.

The trio of partners, Bob Williams, Jack Hemple and Walter Monahan, were infused with plenty of snuff and they gave me the best boxing workout I've had since the start. When we finished our round of boxing I was perspiring freely, which was just what I wanted. A good healthy perspiration will carry more illia out of the system than all the medicine manufactured. "Strangler" Lewis helped to start the water rolling out of my pores by giving me a strenuous workout on the mat. I enjoyed the tussle so much that I think I will ask the "Strangler" to come around and assist me whenever he has the time.

When this was all over, I went through the old system of strengthening the body muscle by bending backward and touching the floor with my head while my body was resting on a chair. If you don't think this will harden your stomach muscles, just try it a few times.

Bag Punching.
I intended to do some bag punching and had the apparatus on the stage, but unfortunately the support was not high enough for me to start work. Today it will be adjusted and I will take a whack at the old bag. When the bag is all set for action it will enable me to let loose a few swift swings, uppercuts and hooks. You see when boxing with a partner you

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LOOK, FANS, LOOK!

Big League Teams Play First Games of Season.

Real Scores From New Orleans and Texas Towns.

New Orleans, La., March 6.—The Cleveland Americans Sunday defeated the New Orleans team of the Southern association 9 to 5. Two home runs and numerous two and three-base hits brightened the contest.

The score: R. H. E. Cleveland.....9 11 2 New Orleans.....5 6 0
Giant Rookies Win.
 Dallas, Texas, March 6.—The New York Nationals' second squad won from the Dallas Texas league team here Sunday afternoon 9 to 2. Dallas was unable to solve the speed and curves of the visiting pitchers.

The score: R. H. E. New York.....9 11 0 Dallas.....2 3 3
 Batteries: Ritter, Kramer and Wendell; Adams, Landry, Bono and McDonough.

Cards 11; San Antonio 9.
 San Antonio, Tex., March 6.—The St. Louis Nationals won the second game of their practice series with the local club of the Texas league here, 11 to 9. Heavy hitting featured the contest.

The score: R. H. E. St. Louis.....11 10 2 San Antonio.....9 11 2
 Batteries: Whop, Williams, Line and Brotten; Potts, Fried, Harding, Haynes, Hunter, Althaus and Burch.

Cubs Off Sunday.
 Chicago, Ill., March 6.—Twenty members of the Cub squad, led by Manager Tinker, left Sunday for the spring training camp at Tampa, where they are due tonight.

A special train conveyed the party, players, trainers, officials and correspondents made the total of passengers seventy. To amuse the party en route the railroad officials installed on the train a pool table, a phonograph and a piano.

SALINA FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.
 Wesleyan Has Seven Games Already Booked—Wants Washburn Date.

Salina, Kan., March 6.—The schedule of football games next fall for the Kansas Wesleyan university has been only partly completed at this time. The schedule as arranged now follows:

September 30—Fairmount at Salina.
 October 7—Baker at Baldwin.
 October 13—Hays Normal at Hays.
 October 20—Cooper at Salina.
 November 11—St. Marys at St. Marys.

November 24—Nebraska Wesleyan at Lincoln.
 Thanksgiving day—Bethany at Salina.

The Wesleyan has three open dates on the schedule, October 28, November 4 and November 11. Negotiations are now pending with Haskell, Washburn and Midland for games on these dates. The game with the Nebraska Wesleyans will be the big game of the season.

ALLEN HAS A CHANCE.
 Kansas City Pocket Billiardist May Yet Win National Championship.

Chicago, Ill., March 6.—George Clark, the Brooklyn pool expert is safely entrenched for a day at least in first place in the race for the national pocket billiard championship. Clark is not slated to perform today, when the tournament is resumed and his record of four victories and no defeats assures him of the lead for a while.

The "come-back" of Champion Bennie Allen, who counted his first win Saturday, upset predictions of his poor showing in the earlier games, and he is now considered a possible winner despite the long lead of his rivals.

VOLLEYBALLERS NEARING END.
 Saturday Night Division of "Y" League Completes Schedule This Week.

The Saturday night division of the Central "Y" volleyball league will end its playing schedule next Saturday night, and indications are that the championship of the division will go to team 4, which is leading with a total of fourteen victories out of 24 games. Team 1 is now in second place.

Last Saturday night Teams 2 and 3 defeated Teams 4 and 1 two out of three games. After the close of the race of the Wednesday night division the winners of each division will play for the "Y" championship and the team that wins will be awarded a trophy cup donated by the H. B. Howard company.

WATERS CONFERENCE HEAD.
 All Missouri Valley Teams May Play Turkey Day Games Now.

St. Louis, Mo., March 6.—Final approval for football games on Thanksgiving day, with the stipulation that such games must be played in the afternoon, was given at a meeting of the Missouri Valley conference governing board. Post-season games were forbidden.

In baseball, each college was limited to one team in intercollegiate competition. Henry J. Waters, president of Kansas Agricultural college, was elected president of the conference and E. W. Stanton of Iowa State college was chosen vice president.

Bowling Tourney Is Fast.
 Toledo, Ohio, March 6.—Faster work than has ever marked the early performances in a national tournament were shown here Sunday when the minor events of the American Bowling congress ended under way. W. H. Heenan, a Jackson, Mich., expert, set a 630 clip for the lead in the individual event while J. Broderick and R. Moellenkopf of Cincinnati ran first in the two-man event with 1,152. The first shift of three saw the Overland Front Axes installed in first place with 2,674 last night.

The Last Week of W. C. Race.
 Chicago, Ill., March 6.—The race for the Western conference basketball title enters the home stretch this week with Wisconsin still leading and Northwestern in second place. Illinois, Minnesota and Iowa follow in the order named, the latter school having dropped during the week from 590 to 332 in percentage, the result of two defeats.

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Sport Wheezes

—BY CLUG—

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 I've got a tin cup that I want to hand out.

I will give it, I think, to the W. L. Mag.
 Who finishes last in the race for the rag.
 He'll probably have to begging.
 And the cup he can pass when asking for dough.

Bill Rapps and Izzy Bostick have been given their releases. Bill fell before the old age reaper and Izzy was the victim of the demon "Incompetence."

Mary Pickford expects to be one of the spectators at the Willard-Moran show.

Mary undoubtedly is interested in the performers because they get paid more for 30 minutes' work than she does.

The Ottawa basketball team would like to play a post-season game with the Eagles of Chicago. But Haven probably is busy with other things now.

Lamar Hoover, who goes to Fairmount college as athletic coach, is one of the best known and most popular officials in Kansas college circles. His many friends will watch the results of his new endeavors with a great deal of interest.

A wheeze in this column several days ago which stated that Sioux City expects to have a full team of 300 hitters this season seems to have caused some discussion. However, as was stated recently, it is not always the heaviest hitting team that wins the pennant.

It does not take a Hugh Fullerton to discover this. And it does not take a Philadelphia lawyer to prove by a record book that seldom does the team that leads its league in hitting finish ahead of all the rest. Des Moines did not lead the Western league in hitting last season, nor did many of the other championship clubs.

Philadelphia was fifth in club batting in the National league last season and beat 'em all out. The World's Champion Red Sox were only second in club batting in the American league. In the South Atlantic league Albany led in club batting and was in the second division at the close of the season. And in the Pacific Coast league San Francisco won the pennant with a club batting average considerably under that of Salt Lake City.

However, in every one of the leagues mentioned above a glance at the pitching records shows that they had some kind of a corner on the best twirling talent in their circuits, and also a review of the club fielding records will indicate that they scooped them up pretty consistently. All of which shows that even though the Sox have a whole team of fly swatters, it does not necessarily follow that they have the pennant within such easy grasp.

TO TACKE IT AGAIN.
 "Lefty" Flynn, Former Gridiron Hero, Will Try Matrimony Once More.

Denver, Colo., March 6.—Maurice (Lefty) Flynn, former Yale football star, has left the ranch near Craig, Colo., where he was after his divorce from a Broadway chorus girl, to make a second venture in matrimony. He will be married Tuesday in New York to Miss Elancho Palmer of New York, a niece of Mrs. E. P. Shove of Colorado Springs. After their honeymoon, they will make their home on Flynn's Colorado ranch.

Both young people are well known in Denver society. Miss Palmer visited her aunt last fall and during her stay was much entertained in Denver and Colorado Springs.

After he and his bride were separated and he had been a year in Colorado he was divorced and his father bought him the ranch near Craig, where he since has been living.

Double Victory to Belleville.
 Belleville, Kan., March 6.—In a double-header basketball game between the Concordia high school and the Belleville high school, the Belleville girls and boys took both games. It was the closing games of the season for both teams. The boys' score was 49 to 34 and the girls' score 29 to 20.

Belleville will enter the Fifth district tournament at Manhattan next week.

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GIRLS WITH SHOW

Vaudeville a Part of Moose Wrestling Bout Bill.

Billings Hopes to Win Title From Tommy Doctor.

Dr. F. H. Beaumont, of Burton, Kan., the man who has been engaged by the Topeka Moose to stage their big wrestling show at the Grand theater on St. Patrick's day, was in the city Sunday making final arrangements for the affair, which is to be the biggest mat performance held here in years, prominent Moose say.

"The principal bout of the evening, between Tommy Doctor and Jack Billings, will be a real championship affair," Dr. Beaumont said, "and it should be a big drawing card. Doctor is undoubtedly the greatest welter-weight grappler in the United States, having thrown all his opponents, and Billings appears to be the only man who has a chance to take his title away from him."

Second Meeting.
 Doctor and Billings have met once before, and although Billings was unable to throw the champion, he stayed with him something like an hour and 40 minutes, and ever since that time has claimed that he wanted only one more chance in order to win the title. And on March 17 Topeka mat fans will have an opportunity to watch him make the best of this chance.

As a curtain raiser to the big match, a bantamweight bout will be staged between "Young" Hackenschmidt, who has been holding fort in Hutchinson this winter, and "Hank" Felker, the Topeka Moose lodge mascot and one of the classiest little mat men in the state. "Young" Hackenschmidt also claims the world's championship in his class and has documents to prove his claim. He also has expert opinion to show that he is a perfect bantam specimen.

Weight Handicaps.
 However, in as much as Hackenschmidt weighs only 112 pounds against Felker's 126 local men think the Topeka boy will be able to give him a run for his money.

In addition to the wrestling matches, the Moose have made arrangements to bring a vaudeville troupe here all the way from St. Louis to add to the entertainment card. The troupe is known as the "Golden Gate Girls" and is said to have a unique and attractive bill. The vaudeville stunts will be staged between the two matches and between falls.

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